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The amendment filed May 30, 2006 proposes amendments to the claims that do not comply with 37 CFR 1.173(b), which sets forth the manner of making amendments in reissue applications. A supplemental paper correctly amending the reissue application is required. As to claim 2, note that the matter to be omitted by reissue must be enclosed in brackets rather than deleted by a strike through line. Also, note that all changes are made visàvis the patent so that all new claims presented must be completely underlined. See MPEP 1453.

A supplemental declaration will be needed before the application can be allowed in view of the amendment to claim 2. Note MPEP 1444.

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.175(b)(1) and in view of the amendment to claim 2, a supplemental reissue oath/declaration under 37 CFR 1.175(b)(1) must be received before this reissue application can be allowed.

An example of acceptable language to be used in the supplemental oath/declaration is as follows:

"Every error in the patent which was corrected in the present reissue application, and is not covered by a prior oath/declaration submitted in this application, arose without any deceptive intention on the part of the applicant."

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